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LOMITA, ENERGY EFFICIENCY LEADER, GOES PLATINUM!

LOMITA – At the July 15 Lomita City Council meeting, South Bay Cities Council of Governments and Southern California Edison presented Mayor Estrada and City Council of Lomita with certificates of achievement honoring the City of Lomita with Platinum status, the highest level of achievement in the SBCCOG/SCE Energy Leader Partnership local government program. Lomita is the first South Bay city to achieve this status.

The Energy Leader partnership program is a framework that offers enhanced rebates and incentives to cities that achieve measurable energy savings, reduce peak-time electricity demand and plan for energy efficiency.

In order to reach the Platinum tier the City of Lomita reduced energy consumption at its municipal buildings and facilities by 159,281 kWh. They have received \$22,349 in incentives paid to the City of Lomita General Fund. The projects at city facilities will yield an **ongoing annual energy cost savings of \$22,299!** Having achieved the platinum level, for every future energy efficiency project that the city completes, they will receive 12 cents per kWh on top of the regular SCE rebate.

Leading by example, the City has participated in Southern California Edison Demand Reduction programs. These programs reward the City by doing its part to reduce electricity

use on hot days and help prevent power outages. The City also encouraged local businesses and residents to save energy and money through marketing, education and outreach activities. As a further demonstration of its commitment to long term energy leadership, the City initiated and has completed its Energy Action Plan.

SBCCOG

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) is a joint powers authority of 16 cities and the County of Los Angeles that share the goal of maximizing the quality of life and productivity throughout the South Bay and surrounding communities. Members are Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance, and the Harbor City/San Pedro communities of the City of Los Angeles, along with the County of Los Angeles District 2 and 4. The SBCCOG values what makes its cities unique and independent, and realizes there are times when collective endeavors get better results. This vision of what it can do for its communities drives SBCCOG efforts and motivates its members. It can best be described three ways: Partnership, Persuasion and Performance. Since its inception in 1994 the SBCCOG has been successful in achieving goals toward that end. Visit us at www.southbaycities.org.

SBESC

The South Bay Environmental Services Center (SBESC) is the South Bay's resource center for residents, businesses and municipalities to access information and best practices related to energy efficiency, water conservation, recycling and transportation alternatives and the environment. SBESC staff is working with the South Bay cities to develop Climate Action Plans that significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions through local actions. Materials and tools are provided to assist in better understanding the potential for energy efficiency and water savings within homes and businesses that may very well reduce costs. A wide variety of educational seminars and practical training sessions are hosted by SBESC. In addition, staff and volunteers participate year-round in community events to assist consumers in making informed decisions about their personal use of natural resources. The SBESC is a major program of the SBCCOG which partners with The Gas CompanySM, Southern California Edison, West Basin Municipal Water District, City of Torrance Water Department, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and County of Los Angeles. Visit www.sbesc.com for the latest activities, schedules and opportunities to participate in a greener South Bay.